



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of : **Confirmation No. 3478**  
Hiroshi HAMASAKA et al. : Attorney Docket No. 2002\_0034A  
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**RESPONSE**

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Sir:

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